

Imperial College Union Council Report

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Introduction

It's already been two months since our mandates started and many exciting projects are underway. CSPs have been planning the year ahead and some have already put together some great events! With term having kicked off, I'm looking forward to facilitating, promoting and celebrating their activities. Significant projects in progress include reviewing the use of space by CSPs within the Union building, financial modelling for the Sports Hub and creating a web app for social media takeovers.

Here's roughly how I've been spending my time over the last month:

Clubs	Internal Meetings	College Meetings	Projects	Other
35%	20%	15%	20%	10%

Upcoming

In the next few weeks, I will be working on the review of spaces in the Union building and consult CSPB initially, continue the financial modelling for the Sports Hub and start designing a web app to facilitate social media takeovers of the Union's channels.

Report on progress

This section is for me to report on the manifesto points I was elected to deliver.

Goal 1 – Work to improve our sports facilities in the short term and investigate the potential for new grounds in the long term

- Over the summer, the changing rooms at Harlington have been improved by Move Imperial. The addition of facilities on the main site means students (internal and external) will not have to use the inconveniently located Little Harlington facilities.
- One of the 3G pitches has been resurfaced and will be inaugurated by the IC and ICSM men's football teams on trials day (02.10.2019)

Goal 2 – Facilitate, promote and celebrate CSPs' activities

- "Arts & Entertainment Nights" to kick-off on October 18th. Joseph (A&E Chair) has organised the different acts/bands and this will also be promoted through the Union's main channels. Such events aim to promote our CSPs' activities and cater to a wider range of students within our social spaces.
- Preparations for the Summer Ball are already under way (see DPFS' report) and a committee, with key CSP stakeholders, is being formed. Preparation for Varsity and other Union-wide events of interest is yet to start.
- CSPs to be included in the Union's marketing strategy. Work in progress to allow CSPs/CUs/MGs to take over the Union's social media channels.

Goal 3 – Implement the Sports Hub for the first group of sports clubs

- Performance Teams (rather than Field and Court clubs) are being phased in the Sports Hub this year.
- Branding for the Sports Hub to be conducted this term as part of a joint exercise between the Union and Move Imperial. Students from each sports clubs will have the opportunity to get engaged in the consultation process.

Goal 4 – Improve spaces and processes relevant to CSPs

- James Medler's (DPCS 2018/19) new booking system has been rolled out and all room allocations within the Union building are done. Ad-hock bookings are now open.
- Training revamp in progress with an initial focus on MG chairs and CU presidents

Goal 5 – Engage students in effective consultation and decision-making committees

Watch this space

Operational Achievements

In this section, I will detail further operational achievements or contributions that are note worthy.

- I have been heavily involved in the delivery of Welcome and of the Welcome Fair especially
- I have had to take up some operational tasks due to the current staffing situation in the Activities Team
- Given my experience in the bars, I have been providing advice and assisting in terms of recruitment for the Commercial Services directorate.

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